

EASY MONEY GANG FACING DRAGNET

Police Campaign Against Bookies and Other Gam- blers Progresses.

Capt. E. W. Brown of the first police precinct, assisted by Lieut. Holmes, Sergt. Burke and Detectives Lowrey, Mansfield and Wilson, is conducting a clean-up campaign to rid the business district of violators of law referred to as "easy money rackets." The term has special reference to bootleggers and handbook men, although other law violators may expect to get caught in the meshes of the dragnet.

Norman Smith Bowles, under appeal from a sentence in the Nicky Arinstein bond case, arrested yesterday as alleged handbook violator, was released on a \$3,000 bond. Which was posted in the room of the United Racing Wires concern, second floor of 1345 E street. He vigorously denied he had made a handbook.

Marked Money Found on Patron.
In a search conducted in the room in the E street house the police found a marked money which had been found by Bowles only a few minutes before the raid was made, but at the police station a short time before the money was found in possession of one of the alleged patrons caught in the raid.

The patron told the police he had placed a bet with Bowles Thursday afternoon, won \$10.15, and was given the marked money in payment of the bet. Several persons caught in the raid, the police stated, told of having made bets there and furnished sworn statements to such effect.

Carried Search Warrant.
Capt. Brown and members of his squad were equipped with a search warrant and warrant of arrest when they visited the E street establishment.

Knowing Bowles to be a member of the bar, the police felt that they would make a demand for all legal documents necessary in making a raid. He did make such a request, the police stated, and was promptly shown that the time had been fixed for a Police Court hearing of the case.

Sold for \$1.75 a Bottle.
Police agents it is stated, had purchased several one-half pint bottles of corn whiskey from Griffin, paying \$1.75 a bottle, and a sale is arranged to have the bottles sold for \$1.75 a bottle. Griffin is said to have told the police he bought the whiskey from an unidentified bootlegger from Virginia.

Sergt. George H. Moran and Police-man Kane of the 1st precinct, visited a garage in rear of 926 E street and interrupted a game of cards. Starman, who was playing, was arrested on a charge of permitting gambling, and the police seized the alleged crapschotters.

On Trail of Vice.
Speaking of the letter received yesterday from the police board respecting vice conditions in certain sections of the city, Maj. Sullivan, head of the department, said that members of his command are engaged in a vigorous effort to put a stop to such violations. "And they will put a stop to them," he declared.

Lieut. Minnie C. VanWinkle, head of the department, said that the police department, deeply interested in vice problems, has actually performed patrol duty in certain sections of the city. "The report, vice conditions are said to exist. Houses have been picked by members of her command," he said, "and they will put a stop to them."

Violations Near Capitol.
Lieut. VanWinkle is heartily in favor of the passage of the vice-repressive measure introduced by Representative Fitzgerald. "It is a difficult to enforce. The repressive vice measure is an effective one, the legislature has passed it in the past," he said. "Parts of it are in force in thirty-six states. It is reported that certain houses of the Capitol are in violation of vice laws, all of them by colored women."

**JUDGE LANDIS QUILTS
BENCH TO DEVOTE
TIME TO BASE BALL**
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Oil Company of Indiana \$29,240,000, which decision later was reversed by a higher court.

In the courtroom the judge always was a picturesque figure, not only because of his flowing white hair, but because of his "dapper" dress, and was in his action against the courtroom loafers or "courtroom lizards" as he called them.

DIAL NOT TO DROP BILL.
Senator Will Press Measure Requiring Judge's Full Time.

By the Associated Press.
President Harding learned of the resignation of Federal Judge Landis through press dispatches from Chicago. White House officials said the formal resignation of the noted judge had not been received at the White House and pointed out that it could either be communicated to the President or the Attorney General.

Senator Dial, democrat, South Carolina, who started the attack on Judge Landis when he accepted the base ball position, said today that Judge Landis' resignation would not cause him to drop his bill to require federal judges to give all of their time to their judicial duty.

TWO YEARS FOR SHOOTING
Court Puts Man on Probation
After Jury Fails to Agree.

After a jury had been unable to agree as to whether he was mentally able to form an intent to shoot Police Sergt. Kilmartin after a New Year celebration in which he had consumed three quarts of "corn," Elmer B. Brown, fifty-nine years old, a thin, today pleaded guilty to a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon in connection with the shooting.

Justice Higgins imposed a sentence of two years in the penitentiary, but in consideration of the inability of the jury to decide as to the mental condition of the accused, the court ordered that the accused be placed Brown on probation.

CHEF'S SPENDING JAG AT LATE CHRISTMAS COSTS \$10,000 IN GIFTS

By the Associated Press.
VANCOUVER, B. C., February 18.—When Chief Billie Assaul of the Alert bay tribe of Indians planned to put himself in high standing with the tribe by giving away forty sewing machines, forty talking machines, many blankets and loads of jewelry, the white man's law was only too ready to take the bait. For the white man's law forbids the potlatch under pain of imprisonment, without option of a fine.

So Chief Billie cut a fine fire placed on the table, and the important thing of gifts and invoked the spirit of the white man's Christmas. But his Christmas tree was suspiciously late and to authorities his generosity, seemed out of all reason.

He was charged in Alert Bay, B. C., stipendiary court yesterday with spending a potlatch but he explained that his party was the only way in which he could achieve his purpose of kindness to his friends. The case was adjourned. One estimate places the cost of Billie's "spending jag" at \$10,000.

U.S. BORDER FEARS DECLARED ABSURD

Acting Mexican War Office
Head Says Troops Will
Control Rebels.

By the Associated Press.
MEXICO CITY, February 18.—The Mexican government has declared the United States authorities over threats of rebellion along the frontier, according to Acting Secretary of War Serrano. He said:

"There are no rebels of importance close to the boundary, and the few desperadoes in Chihuahua do not dare attack a single federal military unit, much less threaten Juarez."

"Sufficient troops have been placed on the border to repel any attack, and the garrisons at Juarez and other border points are competent. The fears in the United States are absurd."

"Uprising Insignificant."
Gen. Serrano referred to the uprising in Chihuahua of Gen. Rosendo Hernandez as insignificant, inasmuch as the latter is up in arms to accomplish vengeance for the murder of his two sons several months ago and is understood not to be disgruntled at the central government. The secretary laughingly asked his inquiries if the defection of Francisco Mariachan, a Chihuahua rebel, in Chihuahua could be classified as a serious rebellion.

He added that the states of Michoacan and Jalisco were still somewhat disturbed. Reports last night from Michoacan said that Gen. Enrique Estrada, who commands the forces in the six states of Chihuahua, Jalisco, Michoacan, Guanajuato, Aguascalientes and Zacatecas, Gen. Luis Cuatrecasas, who commands the forces in Michoacan and assigned to the isthmus.

Revolt Rumors Denied.
The war department also denied the rumors that Gov. Sanchez of Puebla state contemplated revolt, and produced a communication from Gen. Salvador Alvarado, now in Oaxaca, denying reports that he is in rebellion.

The department of interior, through Subsecretary Gilberto Valenzuela, also scoffed at reports of revolution, declaring that the reports received from governors of all states yesterday described the situation as tranquil.

VILLA REMEMBERS GRUDGE.
Asks Permission to Lead His Men
Against Hernandez.

By the Associated Press.
MEXICO CITY, February 18.—Francisco Villa, former bandit chief, has asked permission to lead his men against Gen. Rosendo Hernandez, who was reported several days ago as in rebellion in the state of Chihuahua. Villa's request is to be decided by the president, who is expected to grant it, and his emissary J. said to have arrived in the capital yesterday to obtain the "assignment" for his chief.

RIVAL DEPUTIES MEET.
One Faction in Puebla State Under
Federal Troop Protection.

By the Associated Press.
MEXICO CITY, February 18.—Independent deputies of the Puebla state legislature held sessions yesterday in San Marcos, a suburb of Puebla City, under protection of federal soldiers, barred by soldiers from a cold, deputies supporting Gov. Sanchez also carried on business. Each faction declared itself the only official lawmaking body for the state.

When the independent deputies left for San Marcos in the morning, they were accompanied by a detachment of federal troops, at the direction of the war department.

Conflicting reports both factions have gone to Jalapa to confer with President Obregon and Secretary of the Interior Calles, and is expected Gov. Sanchez will explain the situation to the president tomorrow. The president is in Jalapa convalescing from a cold.

Officials here, although reporting the situation in Puebla, declare it is not directed again the central government.

FORM MINSTREL TROUPE.
Walter Reed Entertainers Will Per-
form for Charities.

The medical detachment and quartermaster corps soldiers at Walter Reed Hospital have organized a minstrel and vaudeville troupe, and are planning to give entertainments in and around the city in aid of the various charities that are in need of funds. The troupe will consist of ten entertainers who will be given the opportunity to give entertainments in and around the city in aid of the various charities that are in need of funds.

Some of the artists taking part in the show have already seen service on the stage, the most noted being W. Keaton, who played with Raymond Hitchcock; Jack Watts, Scottish baritone, and Joe Ackerlin, well known on the concert platform in New York City.

The troupe has appeared at St. Elizabeth's and Mount Alto hospitals, as well as at Walter Reed. Lieut. Paul Foot is manager; Sergt. James B. Judge, director, and Miss Marie A. Plummer, musical director. The secretary, Private John J. Watts, medical detachment, Walter Reed Hospital, is in charge of the troupe, and is securing the services of the troupe to communicate with him.

BEGGARS FORM UNION.
Prague's Best Corners Allotted in
Rotation During Busy Hours.

VIENNA, February 17.—A combination of beggars—the latest application of the trade union principle—is reported from Prague.

Busy street corners are allotted during certain hours to the members of the union in rotation, and any competition favoring of disloyalty to the comrades is punished by exclusion.

CITIZENS ASK CUT IN PRICE OF GAS

Base Plea at Board Hearing on Showing Made There by Company.

Appeals for a reduction in the price of gas were made to the Public Utilities Commission yesterday afternoon by representatives of citizens' associations, at the close of the hearing on gas rates.

William McK. Clayton of the Federation of Citizens' Associations, and Evan H. Tucker of the Northeast Citizens Association, both took exception to the price of gas shown by the company yesterday.

Arthur E. Seymour, speaking for the Chamber of Commerce, said the people of Washington are interested primarily in service. He asked the commission to fix the lowest rate consistent with good service and a fair return to the company.

Restaurant Owners' Plea.
The restaurant owners of the city, through H. E. Hittinger, asked that the reduced rates to wholesalers be graduated down in steps of 50,000 cubic feet, instead of 100,000 cubic feet.

There were three different prices for gas during 1921, the average price for the twelve months being \$1.23 per thousand cubic feet. Robert O. Luerker, expert accountant for the company, testified that the company earned a return of 9.43 per cent on fair value last year. That fair value, taken as of January 1, 1921, was \$12,973,500.

Mr. Luerker figured the fair value of the property for this year at \$12,458,000, and testified that if the present price of \$1.10 per thousand cubic feet is continued the company will earn 6.83 per cent on the value. In answer to questions of Mr. Clayton, the witness said the company would not turn over 10 per cent this year if the price were cut to \$1.07.

Mr. Luerker's testimony shows that the company expects to earn an average of 2 cents less a gallon for oil during 1922 than it did last year, and this is the only way it can make 10 per cent. He also testified that the company's cost of oil was 7-1/2 cents a gallon, while for this year it will be about 7-3/4 cents. Coke also is cheaper, he said.

Closing Request.
Benjamin A. Minor, attorney for the company, argued that the commission should consider the gas case the evidence introduced, and several weeks ago by the telephone company to show that utilities should be allowed an 8 per cent return.

Both Mr. Clayton and Mr. Tucker asked the commission to bear in mind the fact that the principal users of gas are the people in the city, and that every consideration possible should be given them in the fixing of gas rates. Mr. Tucker said that the company's cost of gas was 7-1/2 cents a gallon, while for this year it will be about 7-3/4 cents. Coke also is cheaper, he said.

Mr. Tucker paid a high tribute to the management of the gas company, saying that the company has always shown a disposition to serve the public well. The commission, however, should make a material reduction in the price of gas, he added.

QUIET NOW REIGNS IN NORTH IRELAND

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is considered important to get a liaison commission working, whose business would be to move about the border and keep peace. The commission, it is stated, will consist of two British officers, two police officers and two Irish army officers representing the south.

NEW PAPER APPEARS.

The Separatist, Advocating Free
State, Bows to Dublin.

By the Associated Press.
DUBLIN, Ireland, February 18.—A new newspaper, "The Separatist," appeared in Dublin yesterday. It announced policy will be advocacy of the use of force to bring about a complete separation of the north and south.

The paper is equally critical of the British and the Irish. It deprecates a further split in the Irish ranks. Its general policy is to bring about a complete separation of the north and south.

DECLARE FOR REPUBLIC.
Mid-Limerick Brigade Refuses to
Recognize Present Officials.

By the Associated Press.
LIMERICK, Ireland, February 18.—A proclamation was issued today on behalf of the mid-Limerick brigade of the Irish republican army refusing to recognize the north and south republican army officers representing the existing republic.

ENGINEER OFFICER KILLED.
Lieut. Jellicoe Shot as He Flees
From Insane Asylum.

CORK, February 18.—An engineer lieutenant, named Jellicoe, missing since Monday, was killed in a mysterious manner yesterday. He was shot seven hundred yards from the gate of an insane asylum outside the city, pursued by two men firing revolvers, when he fell. The body was found in the house today by Detective Constable E. Kelly.

The allegation is made that Jellicoe had been detained in the asylum by republicans.

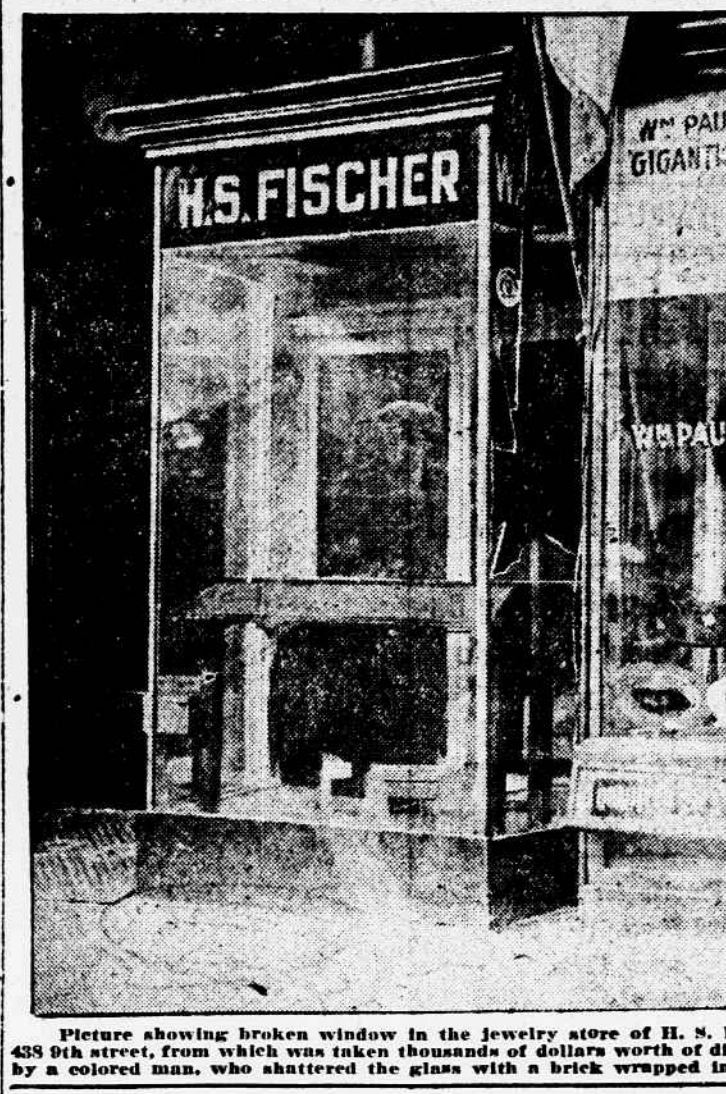
SPECIAL PROGRAM SET.
Public Invited to Victory Memorial
Day Meeting.

A special program was arranged for a meeting of the Blaine Inevitable Club for Victory Memorial Day, tomorrow, and the public is invited to attend.

Music will be a feature of the entertainment. Prof. Neval H. Thomas, instructor in the musical department of the Dunder High School, will speak on "The Development of Musical Self-Respect."

Mr. Thomas for years has devoted his time to the study of negro education, and the special interest represented by the house today by Delegate J. Massey of Spotsylvania becomes a law.

SHOW WINDOW LOOTED BY ROBBERS.



Picture showing broken window in the jewelry store of H. S. Fischer, 438 9th street, from which was taken thousands of dollars worth of diamonds by a colored man, who shattered the glass with a brick wrapped in paper.

SIGNS IMPRESS STRIKE OF TEXTILE EMPLOYEES

By the Associated Press.
ARTIC, R. I., February 18.—A sign that greets all comers as the trolley car slides down hill into the village of Natick says:

"You are now in the Pawtuxet Valley. Tax exemptions for new industries. Pawtuxet Valley Board of Trade." But the cluster of mill villages that extend some eleven miles along the river valley isn't thinking about new industries now. It is wondering what is going to happen to the old ones.

Today marks the end of the fourth week of the strike of the textile mills in the valley because the operatives refused to accept a 20 per cent wage cut and an increase in working hours.

There are other signs in these villages now. One in the window of a barber shop reads "Strikers, save! Where gas is second only to the water supply in the daily life of the people." Another on the front of a clothing store says "On account of the strike, we have marked down sale which was to have ended February 11 has been extended to March 15."

At the door of a restaurant a sign reads "Mass meeting tonight." The doorway opens on a stairway at the top of which another door leads into a big hall which is bare save for two long board tables and a few chairs. This is strike headquarters. There are no guards at the door. Men, women and children enter and leave at will. Smoking is permitted. Yesterday afternoon a goodly group of men sat or stood about the hall, chatting quietly and appearing to be in good spirits. Inquiry for the strike leader, William H. Derrick, developed that he had slipped out to buy some collars in hand. Derrick is an orator. He is affable but earnest. He declared the strikers had nothing to arbitrate, but he hoped the mill owners could be persuaded to the view that the operatives could not afford to accept the new conditions.

He explained that the Amalgamated wanted to bring about here a system already in operation in certain industries in other places. The system provides for joint committees of employers and workers to talk over disputed points as to wages and working conditions, with an impartial chairman to have the deciding vote. This chairman is on salary paid jointly by the employer and the union, and is empowered to examine into manufacturing and living costs.

Funds Declared Ample.
Derrick said the Amalgamated was well provided with funds and was making the strikers as comfortable as possible. "The preparations are being opened here where food is provided free to unmarried men. They are given tickets for fourteen strikes' week. "We figure," said Derrick, "that able-bodied men can get along on that." Preparations are being made for the opening of additional restaurants in other parts of the valley. For work in starting the prohibition law by the "bootlegger and his equally guilty compatriot, the customer."

Today Derrick was ready to go to Providence to outline the case for the strikers before a special state board of mediation.

POLICE ARE EXONERATED ROBBED OF \$76,899 GEMS BY GRAND JURYMEN UNDER PULLMAN PILLOW

Charges of Stephen P. Murphy
Against Three Reported
Disproven.
ST. LOUIS, Mo., February 18.—Sidney Krenkel of Krenkel Bros., diamond importers of New York and Chicago, reported to police today that he had been robbed of diamonds which cost him \$76,899, and which had a retail value of between \$125,000 and \$150,000, on an Illinois Central train which arrived from Chicago this morning.

The diamonds were in a wallet which he placed under his pillow in the Pullman, Mr. Krenkel told police, and were insured for \$50,000. A little search was made of the Pullman car.

PROPOSES LOBBY LICENSE.
RICHMOND, Va., February 18.—All persons directly or indirectly lobbying before the general assembly of Virginia shall file an application with the secretary of the commonwealth giving his or her name and address and the nature of the business to be conducted, and pay a fee of \$100 for a certificate, if a bill introduced in the house today by Delegate J. Massey of Spotsylvania becomes a law.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO INVESTIGATE LOCAL THEATERS COMPLETES ITS SURVEY.

Members of the committee, whose report was submitted to the Commissioners today, left to right—Maj. John C. Gotwals, Lester Wilson, Edward Dean, Jr., and Arthur L. Smith.

SMASHES WINDOW AND ROBS STORE

Negro Loots Jewelry Estab- lishment of \$9,497 in Rings and Stickpins.

Thirty diamond rings and two stickpins valued in all at about \$9,497 were stolen from the show window of Harry S. Fischer's jewelry store, 438 9th street, about 7:15 o'clock last night, by a colored man who smashed the window with a brick wrapped in a newspaper. M. Levy and D. M. Deutsch, clerks in the store, went in pursuit of the robber. Deutsch firing two shots in the air to attract attention, the robber also firing.

The robber ran from the store, turned west on E street, dropped more than twenty feet over a fence inclosing a vacant lot and disappeared in Temperance Hall alley.

Statements of witnesses to the affair differ as to the number involved in the robbery, some saying it was committed by one man, while others say they saw two colored men together near the store.

Missed \$100,000.
Because of the cold weather, 9th street in the vicinity of the store was practically deserted when the robber appeared, smashed the window, reached through and helped himself to jewelry. It was because of his hurry to get away that he did not succeed in getting lost values in more than \$100,000, the proprietors say.

Detectives Springman and Darnall, on duty at headquarters, were unable to find any trace of the robber. A ring that cost the dealer \$3,500 was the most valuable article stolen. Another ring was valued at \$2,500, while one of the stickpins cost \$975. A descriptive list of the stolen jewelry was sent to E. Williams, held in custody, with a request for the arrest of the robber.

"Jimmy" Thiefs' Haul.
Mrs. Jennie O. Herlihy, 1471 Irving street, reported the theft of jewelry valued at \$100,000. A ring set with an oval-shaped pearl, valued at \$500, was the most valuable article stolen.

**RAPS 'BEER ATTACHMENT'
TO SOLDIER BONUS BILL**
Senator Willis, in Frances Willard
Memorial Address, Opposes Mod-
ification of Dry Law.

Declaring himself flatly against light wines and beer in any amendment to the soldier bonus bill, Senator Willis of Ohio, at memorial services yesterday afternoon in honor of Frances Willard, held in state hall at the Capitol, said he did not intend to vote for any "beer attachment" to the soldier bonus bill.

The eighteenth amendment stands for law and order in the United States, Senator Willis insisted, and said its enforcement is a matter for the citizens of this country. He said that the prohibition law is being enforced, however, he warned, and the prohibition forces must be constantly on guard to prevent infractions of the law by the "bootlegger and his equally guilty compatriot, the customer."

Edward J. Walsh, who will go a long way toward enforcing prohibition, and the work done in the public schools, gave prohibition the strongest endorsement of the prohibition law. To Frances Willard, he said, is due the thanks of every person in this country for her work in starting the prohibition law.

The work of Miss Willard and her associates in the United States, Senator Willis insisted, should not be continued, they asserted. Still another opinion was voiced by Representative Boy, Texas, a democrat, who said that the bill was a "make-shift" with which the country is "disgraced." He announced he favored its extension simply because he was convinced Congress would not enact a workable and just immigration law.

**MOVES TO PREVENT TRIAL
IN THE POLICE COURT**
Attorney Questions Jurisdiction
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tions and Asks Review.

Justice Hitz of the District Supreme Court today issued four rules against John P. McMahon, judge of the Police Court, to show cause February 28 why writs of prohibition should not be issued against him to prevent the trial in Police Court of charges of violating the national prohibition act against Harry Maynard, proprietor of the Tea Cup Inn; Fred F. Johnson, Manuel R. Shanholtz and James W. Gibbons. Through Attorney Charles E. Ladd, McMahon asked that the jurisdiction of the Police Court to try such cases on information be removed to the District Supreme Court, because the accused may be sent to Occoquan, where hard labor is required of prisoners.

DR. DIXON TO PREACH.
"The Sun Do Move" One of His Sub-
jects Tomorrow.

"The Sun Do Move" is the subject of the sermon to be delivered by Dr. Calvin P. Dixon of Virginia, known as the "Black Billy Sunday," at 10 o'clock tomorrow night at the Cosmo-politan Baptist Church, N. street, between 9th and 10th streets.

He will preach a special sermon for women at 3:30 o'clock. At the morning service, at 11 o'clock, his subject will be "Death is a Fact." Rev. Simon P. W. Drew, pastor of the church, will assist.

ORDER IN STILLMAN CASE.
Testimony to Be Taken at Montreal
Beginning March 13.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., February 18.—A commission to take testimony at Montreal, beginning March 13, in the divorce suit of Jamez A. Stillman, New York banker, against Mrs. Anne T. Stillman, was granted today by Supreme Court Justice Morschauer on application of defense counsel.

John E. Mack guardian ad litem for baby Guy Stillman, whose legitimacy is at issue, joined the application for Canadian hearings. He intends to cross-examine witnesses who testified that Mrs. Stillman was conducting herself with Fred Beauvais, the Indian guide alleged by Mr. Stillman to be the father of little Guy.

CREDITORS BRING ACTION.
Creditors of the Andrew B. Graham Company, a lithographing concern, today applied to the District Supreme Court to appoint a receiver to liquidate the company. Justice Bailey issued a rule against the company requiring the creditors to declare the company violated the bankruptcy laws by filing February 14 an assignment for the benefit of creditors.

DR. BALLOU'S SISTER DEAD.
Dr. Frank W. Ballou, superintendent of schools, received word of the death of his sister, Mrs. Adelaide Ballou, in Potsdam, N. Y., yesterday afternoon, and left last night to attend the funeral. He will return early next week.

PUTS RADIOLITE WATCH ON GATEPOST BEFORE GOING TO BED IN SNOW

NEW YORK, February 18.—The next time John Bannan, white-haired actor, hangs his radiolite watch up on a gatepost preparatory to going to bed in a snow-drift he probably will turn its face to the post.

Failure to take this little precaution led him into making a mistake today on a charge of intoxication.

The glowing timepiece attracted Patrolman Gardner's attention as he was pacing through the zero weather in West 4th street early this morning. He found Bannan's hat on the twin post and a pair of aristocratic shoes not only side by side near the gate. Then he found Bannan asleep in the snow, pillow his head on a man's coat and covered with his overcoat.

Bannan pleaded guilty, until prosecuted, however, against his slumber disturbed. He drew a suspended sentence.

PLEDGES IN IMMUNITY TAYLOR CASE

Writer, Describing Self as
Sands, Says He Will
Reveal Slayer.

By the Associated Press.
LOS ANGELES, Calif., February 18.—Investigators of the murder of William Desmond Taylor, film director, were waiting today to see if anything would result from the announcement of Thomas Lee Woolwine, district attorney, that Edward P. Sands, missing former butler-secretary to Taylor, would not be prosecuted on an indictment and would charge preferred by his former employer if Sands could prove himself innocent of the slaying of Taylor and "untangle this murder mystery."

Woolwine's announcement followed receipt of a letter purporting to have been written by Sands. The letter stated he was in Los Angeles, was not guilty of the murder of Taylor, but could name the slayer. He held out the mystery of the slaying. He inquired whether he would be set free in case he surrendered and proved innocence of the slaying.

He asked that the district attorney publish his reply "in any of the newspapers of this city." Sands' answer, the latter being addressed to Edward P. Sands, through the public press.

Woolwine stated he had no means of knowing whether the letter was authentic, but that he and his investigators thought it better to "treat it as such" in the hope that it was.

**ASKS EXTENSION OF LAW
TO GOVERN IMMIGRATION**
House Committee Majority Would
Continue for a Year the 3 Per
Cent Restrictive Measure.

Advocating the extension for another year of the 3 per cent restrictive immigration law, the House immigration committee in a report laid before the House today declared the people of the United States were demanding continuing action after its expiration, June 30, or something more restrictive.

This view, however, was challenged by two members of the committee—Representative Sigel, republican, New York, and Sabath, democrat, Illinois, who contended that the "quota law is inhuman and contrary to the best American ideals and traditions."

"It has not met the approval of the American people and should not be continued," they asserted. Still another opinion was voiced by Representative Boy, Texas, a democrat, who said that the bill was a "make-shift" with which the country is "disgraced." He announced he favored its extension simply because he was convinced Congress would not enact a workable and just immigration law.

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